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# Royal Baking Powder

## ABSOLUTELY PURE

### FROM ALL AROUND THE CITY.

#### Current Local Events of the Day Briefly Told.

**Bits of Facts and Gossip Gathered on the Streets by Times Reporters—Points Political, Social and General Happening Yesterday.**

#### Death of Mrs. Pack's Aunt.

Mrs. J. M. French died at Princeton, W. Va., yesterday. She was an aunt of Mrs. John Pack, of this city.

#### The Little Helpers' Tea.

The Little Helpers of Christ Church will give a tea this evening from 6 to 10 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Robert G. Johnston, 507 Seventh avenue s. w.

#### Special Train to Hollins.

A special train was run from this city to Hollins last night with Capt. Frank Cord, conductor for the accommodation of the young ladies who went there to enter school.

#### Pocahontas Coal Shipments.

The shipments of coal by the Pocahontas Coal Company for the week ending September 8 were as follows: Pocahontas coal, 72,920 tons; Clinch Valley coal, 8,834 tons; total, 81,754 tons.

#### Communion Next Sunday.

The fire near St. Mark's Lutheran Church last Sunday prevented the congregation from holding service, and the communion will be held at the morning service next Sunday.

#### Opening of Allegheny Institute.

The session of the Allegheny Institute will open to-day. All of the instructors are here and a great many of the scholars. So far six States are represented among the students.

#### A New Lodge to be Organized.

William Schenck has been appointed by L. B. Lockard, supreme protector of the Order of Knights and Ladies of Honor, as deputy supreme protector, and he will at once proceed to organize a lodge in this city.

#### The Festival Liberally Patronized.

The festival of the Ladies Aid Society of St. James Methodist Church, which is being given each night this week at the Harris store room on Park street, was well attended last night and was liberally patronized as on the previous evening.

#### Police Court Fines.

In the police court yesterday morning Lemon Price was fined \$5 for an assault. William Woods was committed for vagrancy and sent to the almshouse. Lizzie Reynolds and Kattie Reynolds were fined \$2.50 each for vagrancy.

#### Reynolds Brothers Return Thanks.

Reynolds Bros., the tobaccoists, desire to return thanks to the citizens who so bravely aided in trying to save their goods at the Sunday morning fire. Policeman Gee was especially zealous in his efforts.

#### Mayor Jones to Speak in Bedford County.

Mayor Jones will go to Stewartsville, Bedford county, Saturday, where he will make a political speech that night. This is considered a strong Populist section and the mayor will try to convince some of the voters of the error of their ways.

#### Dead Horse on Randolph Street Bridge.

A lean, half starved looking horse, which some one had turned loose on the commons to die, expired Tuesday night on the Randolph street bridge just beside the street car track. The dead animal remained there nearly all day and was an object of disgust to hundreds of citizens.

#### Prisoners En Route to Lynchburg.

Deputy Marshalls E. L. Stephens, J. H. Nunn and S. W. Marshall, of Martinsville, in charge of five prisoners and a number of witnesses, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and went to Lynchburg last night to attend the United States court.

#### Visiting the Missions.

Rev. J. B. Greiner, president of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Southwest Virginia, preached to a fairly large congregation at the Second Lutheran Church in Southeast Roanoke last night. Mr. Greiner is visiting the various missions in the synod and encouraging the work in that line.

#### Pythians Express Sympathy.

F. V. Baldwin, editor of the Pythian Monitor, of Richmond, telegraphed a message yesterday to H. M. Darnall, a member of Occochee Lodge, Knights of Pythias, expressing sympathy for the loss the lodge suffered in last Sunday's fire. Letters of sympathy have been received from Pythians in other cities.

#### Myers Will be Brought Back.

A telegram was received yesterday by the commonwealth's attorney from the State secretary of Ohio saying that the extradition papers for the arrest of W. D. Myers, who is wanted here for obtaining money under false pretenses had been sent on by express. They will arrive to-day. Myers is now at Portsmouth, Ohio.

#### Contract Awarded a Rannaker.

C. C. Taliaferro returned home from Marion yesterday where he attended a meeting of the executive committee of the board of visitors of the Southwest Lunatic Asylum. Among other business transacted was the awarding of \$500 worth of repair work to J. S. Groves, of this city. Over \$2,500 worth of work from this institution has been given to Roanoke contractors within the past twelve months.

#### Roasters of Virginia Soldiers.

The William Watts Camp of Confederate Veterans are doing good work in collecting and preserving the rosters of as many companies as they can procure. There is a fast-growing sentiment in the State to have the next legislature appropriate \$500,000 to have a complete list of the soldiers Vir-

### SOUND VISION RARE.

ONLY ONE PERSON IN FIVE STANDS THE SCIENTIFIC TEST.

Why So Many Wear Glasses—Results of Parental Carelessness—Humanity Indebted to the Progress of the Art of the Oculist—The Oculist's Answer.

"There is probably no one subject pertaining to the human body less understood than the eye," said Dr. Dufour, physician in charge of the eye department of the eastern dispensary, "and it seems to be less understood how necessary it is to seek advice early from a skilled oculist when the eyes need attention. As to perfect vision, it is rare, especially among those who live in large cities. Investigations which I have made, as well as those of other oculists, have proved this fact—that only one-fifth, or about 20 per cent, of eyes examined had perfect vision. Notice the number of persons you meet wearing glasses. They are not old people. On the contrary, they are young, many of them children. You will be convinced by this that more persons have defective vision than you supposed, and that perfect eyesight is the exception and not the rule."

"Neglect of the eyes in infancy or at an early age is often the cause of bad eyesight. They are more sensitive to light at that time than at a mature age. Children are often taken out of doors with their little faces unprotected from the bright sunlight or are allowed at night to stare at the gas or lamp light for hours. This is all wrong. The child's eyes should be protected from the glare of light of any kind. Should this be neglected, an impairment of the vision may result."

"There is a disease of the eyes incident to the first week of infancy which has caused a large per cent of blindness. It is very insidious in its approach. Most mothers suppose the baby has only taken cold and often postpone consulting an oculist until great and often irreparable injury has been done. This is a disease that commences as an inflammation of the mucous membrane that lines the eyelids, and unless checked will attack the cornea and partially or totally destroy vision."

"Children's eyes are often impaired by a dark schoolroom, where they are compelled to strain them in using them; also from studying by artificial light. The position of the head while using the eyes has an effect upon them. The dependent position while leaning forward to read, together with the constant straining, will produce nearsightedness, which will increase as the child advances in his or her studies and keeps pace in the higher education of universities and colleges. Nearsightedness may be prevented by avoiding too long and close use of the eyes for near work and a proper arrangement of our school as to illumination and the arrangements of the desks and seats."

"The position for reading or studying should be an erect one, and the light allowed to fall on the book from over the left shoulder. Children that have defective vision will learn that by squinting (looking cross eyed) they can improve it. They will not squint constantly at first, but only when looking at near objects. Sometimes when looking at a distance this is called periodic squint, and mostly occurs in children about the fourth or fifth year, when they are learning to spell, etc. This condition can often be corrected by the adjustment of proper glasses for each individual case. If this is not done, the vision in that eye will become permanently impaired. Another very annoying condition is diplopia (double vision), one object seeming as two, and is caused by weakness of one of the muscles of the eyes. The inconveniences and consequent troubles arising from this condition can be corrected by wearing proper glasses. They do not cure the insufficiency of the muscles, but change the rays of light as they enter the eye and merge the two images into one. Often a surgical operation is necessary to effect a cure."

"This condition is sometimes caused by paralysis of one or more of the eye muscles from brain trouble. Abnormal vision has a great influence upon the general health, and in nervous affections is very great. Persons who have suffered for years with headaches have been cured of them and their health improved by proper treatment of their eyes. The nervous system is kept under constant strain by the constant efforts of the eye muscles endeavoring to secure perfect vision. General character and disposition are also affected by imperfect eyesight, as it produces irritability of temper and melancholy and often causes unpleasantness among acquaintances and friends from the inability to recognize them on the thoroughfares, this failure of recognition being construed as an affront. A story is told of a very benevolent man who was quite nearsighted, and who offended many of his friends by not speaking to them when he met them on the street, and until the real cause was known there existed considerable ill feeling about it. He often spoke to persons he did not know and once bowed very politely to a cow."

"In reply to your question, 'Why do so many persons wear glasses?' I would say that in the first place the use and application of the different kinds of glasses is better understood now than formerly, the diseases are better understood and necessarily better treated, so that fewer persons lose their eyesight. The many labor saving machines, such as the sewing machine, typewriter, etc., the increased amount of reading and literary work done, together with the decrease of illiteracy, the use of artificial light, all tend to overtax the eyes and produce eye strain. To prevent this the eyes must be assisted in the great amount of work they have to perform, which is done by the adjustment of proper glasses."

"Humanity in general has much to be thankful for, and one of the boons for which we should express the most thanks is that we are able to restore the sight to those who were losing it or had it not, owing to some refractive error of the eyes. By the aid of glasses the scholar may pursue his studies, the artisan his work. Nature's beauties and wonders may be seen and enjoyed by those who, without glasses could not have done so. We can by their aid enjoy even to extreme old age one of our most valuable senses—viz, sight."—Washington Post.

**The Cary Sisters.**  
Artist George G. Rockwood of New York contributes this story of the Cary sisters: "It is well known that the gifted writers, Alice and Phoebe Cary, declined matrimony, yet were always letting off their wit at their splinter condition. One Sunday evening Horace Greeley, Frank Carpenter and other friends were dining with them when Phoebe had so stirred up Mr. Greeley with her fun that he said, 'Phoebe, we'll have to put a curb on you. Not a bit,' she said. 'I would rather have a bridal.'"

**Cure for Headache.**  
As a remedy for all forms of headache Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best. It effects a permanent cure, and the most dreaded habitual sick headaches yield to its influence. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle, and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. Large bottles only fifty cents at Christian & Barbee's drug store.

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### HE THREW UP THE JOB.

Author Howells Did Not Like Editor Walker's Literary Taste.

Speaking of William Dean Howells, the novelist, the Whistler takes the privilege of relating the following story, of which he was a witness:

When the Whistler was in New York some years ago, one of the first things he did was to call on John Adams, formerly a Syracuse newspaper man, but then connected with the The Cosmopolitan. Adams' editorial room was facing the V where Broadway and Fifth avenue cross. John Brisson Walker's room was east of Adams', and Howells' was situated on the west. Mr. Adams was just looking over a short story by Mrs. E. Burton Harrison, when in came William Dean, his hair scrupulously "lathered" and a basket in his hands filled with "rejoinders." William was evidently engaged about something, and he spoke to Adams about it.

"Adams," he said, "who accepted this frivolous story?" pointing to one he held in his hands.

Adams looked at it and made the remark that probably Mr. Walker, the chief, had.

"Well, it shows very bad taste," said Howells, "and I can't see how he let it go through his hands."

So he went into Walker's room. Mr. Walker said to Mr. Howells that he had accepted the story, and that he considered it a very good one, though it did come from an author unknown. Mr. Howells stated his dislike of it and of its questionable literary merit, but his words did not affect Mr. Walker in the least. What he deemed necessary to the success of The Cosmopolitan he accepted. He believed his judgment to be as good as Howells'.

This was the first rift in the lute between the famous author and the famous editor. It was not over three months after this little episode that Howells resigned his desk and devoted his time to "A Traveler From Altruria." As assistant of Walker he was drawing \$17,500. As a writer he now draws \$10,000. Another thing that caused Howells to resign was the hours. He was compelled to get down to the office at 9 o'clock and remain until 5 in the afternoon. This he averred, interfered greatly with his own work.

The literary writers and editors of New York call Howells the "fat woman," because he is so fluffy.—Syracuse Post.

### The Practical Joker Got a Shock.

The sportive young man who enjoys playing tricks had a shock the other day. He had just come down the elevated stairs at Park place and had started in the direction of City Hall park when his face lighted up with a pleasant smile. It was evident that he saw some one he knew, and that he saw some fun ahead. He began to walk rapidly, and as he hurried along it could be seen that the person he knew was a young woman, for he kept his eye on her, watching her carefully as she slipped in and out of the crowd, and all the while his smile grew broader and his eyes twinkled more merrily.

Finally, when he was only a few feet behind her, he began to walk on tiptoe. Then he stole quietly up to her and laid his hand on her shoulder.

"Boo!" he said in her ear, and the next instant he wished that he hadn't, for a young woman looked at him with eyes that were at first startled, but which then flashed indignation.

"How dare you?" she gasped, but before she could say another word he broke in with an apology.

"I beg your pardon," he said, stammering. "I made a mistake—I thought I knew you—I thought you were somebody else."

His confusion was so great and he looked so much like a fool that no one could doubt that he was telling the truth, but the young lady accepted his apology with a pale smile, as if she thought he were a lunatic, so that he bowed his head and dived into the crowd, the most crestfallen joker in New York.—New York Tribune.

### Couldn't Stand the Strain.

Arch Haviland was a harbor and river pilot. He had shown that his nerves were all right upon the occasion when he was taking a tug down the harbor and she sank. It was in the middle of winter. The roof of the pilot house floated to the surface and Haviland got partly upon this. The tide was going out when the tug sank, and it drifted the pilot house roof and the pilot out past Sandy Hook. Haviland was about three miles out at sea when he was picked up. No one would pretend that this was a pleasant experience, but Haviland kept right on piloting, and in course of time got a berth on an East river ferryboat. These are considered pretty snug berths, and all Haviland's friends were surprised when a few months after he got the place he gave it up.

"What did you give up that place for?" his friends asked wonderingly.

"I couldn't stand it," said Haviland. "Every time I crossed the East river, with its whirling eddies and swift currents, I knew that I took the lives of my passengers in my hands. The more I thought of it the more it worried me, and I just threw up the place to set my mind at ease."—New York Herald.

### Big Pay for Good Literary Work.

Previous to the advent of McLeod the Reading company used an old sign, "Beware of the Engine and Cars," followed by a series of injunctions that no man walking over the road would have patience to read. There were several accidents which brought the company into the supreme court, and the sharp lawyers opposed to the company claimed that those signs were not clear warning. McLeod went to Judge Paxton, who wrote this admirable sign, "Railroad Crossing—Stop, Look and Listen." Mr. Paxton received for this modest composition the sum of \$4,780, a trifle over \$796.66 a word, a higher rate than any author has received in the past. It can fairly lay claim to being the most expensive composition on record and shows the value of brevity as nothing else could do it.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

### Tough Superscriptions.

The letters from abroad which have failed of delivery on account of badly written addresses are handled by experts, who exhibit wonderful skill in deciphering them. Miss Clara Richter, in charge of the foreign division, is a famous hand at such work. The spelling on some of the envelopes is amazing. For example, "Suarmeri" is intended for "Sault Ste. Marie." That is a comparatively easy one. "Schiencham, Tulocoutus," is Chincin Camp, Tulocoutus county. "Gryn Pon townia" is meant for Green Point avenue. —Rene Bache in Boston Transcript.

## HUMOR

### WHAT'S IN A NAME?

The Poet Found It Meant a Great Deal in a Newspaper Office.

No one but the horse reporter was in when the pale young man came into the editorial room, but the pale young man went straight to business.

"I have here a poem," said he, "entitled 'The Siren Voice of Love.' It is at your service."

"Yes," said the horse reporter. "It isn't too red hot, is it?"

"It glows only with the warmth of a passionate soul."

"I know, but Comstock is keeping a tolerably sharp eye out just now for things that have that glow."

"This is as thought-pure as a prattling babe."

"Haven't twisted a cryptogram through it notifying your girl to meet you by the shimmering lake where stricken zephyrs moan, have you?"

"Ridiculous! And besides zephyrs are never stricken and do not moan."

"No! But it sounds good, and that's what goes with up to date poetry. 'Tain't an acrostic, is it?"

"Acrostic? I sicken at the word!"

"Quite sure it doesn't hold anything that will make clubmen tumble over each other to get at the paper if we print it?"

"It is blanching with the whiteness of an unsullied but yearning soul."

"Ah, sort of whitewashing report, eh?"

"Sir! It's a poem!"

"And your name is Gerome Algernon Gervais or something equally sweet?"

"My name is Simeon Hobbs."

"Wha-a-a-t?"

"My name is Simeon Hobbs."

"Here! Take your poem—your manuscript, young man! No man named Simeon Hobbs can write poetry for us. Good day, sir."

The pale young man went out crushed. "Blanching with the whiteness of an unsullied but yearning soul," and his name is Simeon Hobbs!" sneered the horse reporter. "Why, a man with a name like that couldn't get a job in the mailing room writing wrappers!"—Browning's Monthly.

### How He Knew.

The British workman has long been a target for the shafts of wit. Let him at least console himself with the reflection that his French brother is by no means a perfect being, but gets his full share of chaff and abuse.

Here is an illustration: A gentleman paid a visit to a large manufactory, and on leaving asked the foreman which of the three roads was the nearest way back to the village.

"I have not measured them," replied the manager, "but I have no doubt the left hand road is the longest and the right hand one the shortest."

"What makes you think so, may I ask?"

"Well, you see, sir, I have noticed that when the bell rings for leaving off work our men go home by the right road, but when the signal is given for commencing or resuming work they invariably come by the left."—Tit-Bits.

### Did the Old Lady Get a Cigaroot?

Nico Old Lady—Will you kindly tell me if the lady who writes "The Mother's Page" in your paper is in? I want to tell her how much I enjoyed her article on "The Evening Hour in the Nursery."

Office Boy—That's him over there wid do pink shirt, smokin a cigaroot.—Printers' Ink.

**Juvenile Theology.**  
Mother (at tea table)—Jack, who helped you to those three tart's?

Jack (aged 7)—The Lord.

"The Lord? Why, what do you mean, Jack?"

"Well, I helped myself, and father said yesterday the Lord helped those who helped themselves."—Texas Shiftings.

**Included.**  
Mrs. Kingley—Is it true that you've changed dressmakers?

Mrs. Bings—Yes; my old one was taking in all classes.

Mrs. Kingley—But I ordered a gown from her not long ago.

Mrs. Bings—So she said.—Cloak Review.

**Making a Change.**  
Bingo—I just had a smaller sofa put into the parlor than the one I had.

Kingley—What was the matter with the old one? Didn't your wife like it?

Bingo—Yes, but my daughter didn't.—Truth.

**Our Nobility.**

Idle Ike—Walk right by dat feller sellin' sheetstrings widout noticin 'im.

Lazy Luke—Why?

Idle Ike—Cuz he ain't recognized by our set no more.

Lazy Luke—How's dat?

Idle Ike—Dis is de third time dat man's been caught tryin ter earn his livin.—Brooklyn Life.

### BOARDERS WANTED.

GENTLEMAN AND WIFE CAN obtain board in a private family. Good location. Address "W. W." TIMES office. 9 12 2t.

**TWO LARGE, NICELY FURNISHED** rooms, large enough to accommodate three gentlemen comfortably in each room. Good board. 33 Sixth avenue s. w. MRS. PRICE. 9 14 w.

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### FOR RENT.

**FOR RENT—A BRICK STORE** house on Salem avenue near Jefferson street. Apply to or address J. T. SMOOT, 319 Church St. 8 14 to 9 14

### LOST AND FOUND.

**SEVENTEEN UNMARKED HOGS** weighing about one hundred pounds. Owner will call and get them by paying cost. J. M. ANDERSON, Development Company Land. 9 12 10t.

### FOR SALE.

**SALE OF DELINQUENT STOCK.** Pursuant to authority vested in me by Section 1127 of the Code of Virginia, and in accordance with the resolution of the board of directors of the Piedmont Land and Manufacturing Company, I shall, on SATURDAY, THE 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1894, in front of the courthouse, in the city of Roanoke, Va., between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m. of that day, offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described stock of the Piedmont Land and Manufacturing Company, a corporation under the laws of the State of Virginia: Ten shares of stock of the par value of \$100, \$1,000, in the name of P. M. Wilson, transferee of Wm. Lash. Calla for 69 per cent. of this stock have been duly made, of which 23 per cent. is paid, leaving balance of calls unpaid of \$460. Sale at risk of holder and transferee. S. I. SPIGGLE, Secretary and Treasurer Piedmont Land and Manufacturing Company. 9 5-tds

**FOR SALE—FINE RESIDENCE** site on Ninth avenue s. w., between Park and Grove. Decided bargain to one of moderate circumstances; easy terms. Address "LOT," this office. 8 4 t

### WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

**WANTED—TO LOAN MONEY TO** everybody; \$5 to \$100; 6 per cent. interest; easy payments; also a death benefit for old and young not exceeding \$1,000; cost \$1. Send stamp for particulars. Agents wanted. MUTUAL BENEFICIAL ASSOCIATION, Richmond, Va. JOSIAH RYLAND, JR., president, (second auditor of Virginia). 9 13 t

**WANTED—UNLIMITED QUANTITIES OF** all kinds of hardwood piece stock, kiln dried if possible, from 2 inches and up wide and 18 inches and up long, 1 inch thick, either planed or rough; also plain oak slats, 3, 5, 8, 12 inches long, 3 inches wide, dressed 2 sides to 1/2 inch. Apply for specifications. Splendid chance to work up your lower grades. Also logs, planks, boards, squares. Give full particulars of stock on hand, price and freight rates to New York. Address P. O. box 244, New York city. 9 13 St

**WANTED—BY A YOUNG LADY** of experience a position to teach small children or companion to a lady. Good reference. Address "MISS H" Laurenceville, Brunswick county, Va. 9 12 2t.

**WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED** saleslady in dry goods store. Reference required. Apply 106 Salem avenue. 9 12

**CASH PAID FOR CAST OFF CLOTHING.** Address 15 Salem avenue. 6 11 y.

### BUSINESS NOTICES

**NOTICE—THE ROANOKE STREET** Railway Company have made some important changes in the schedule of their several lines, which will go into effect on September 10th, 1894.

The principal change is the running of the cars from "H" street in the West End through to Virginia College for one fare. In addition to the benefit to be derived by the pupils attending college and living in the Southwest, the patrons of the Street Railway Company living on Jefferson street can take the car at their doors and go direct to the Academy of Music without change of cars, and for one fare.

All the cars have signs on the top designating the line on which they run as follows:

Jefferson and Walnut—Union depot and college via Walnut street and Mill Mountain.

East Roanoke and Franklin Road—Lynchburg Turnpike n. e. and Pine street on Franklin road.

Virginia College and West End—"H" street in the West End and Virginia College through the Pleasant Valley.

Norwich—Between Norwich and Union depot.

Both the Salem and Vinton cars leave the Terry Building as heretofore for their respective destinations.

"Get a schedule and be posted." 9 9 3t